Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 10 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 11 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 10 Mar 2021 at 03:46 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Wednesday. High for cold and showery weather for the rest of the week and into the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 10 Mar 2021: Occasional snow showers in the morning, rain and summit snow in the afternoon

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 10 Mar 2021

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
40%	30%	30%	60%	80%	80%

Forecast for Wednesday 10 Mar 2021

Weather: This morning period will see some bright periods and snow showers. Clouding over the from the southwest in the afternoon with rain, preceded by snow above 600 to 800 metres, extending northeastwards by the end of the afternoon. Rain and higher summit snow continuing into the evening. Risk of blizzard conditions above 800 metres in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%, best chance in the morning.

Visibility: Poor in patchy cloud in the morning period down to 500 metres, this most prevalent across southern ranges. Low cloud becoming widespread in the afternoon down to 500 metres.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	42/49 SW	43/51 SW	44/55 SW	40/50 S	50/63 S	47/59 SW	46/59 SW
900	40/47 SW	41/49 SW	42/53 SW	35/45 S	47/60 S	44/57 SW	44/57 SW
600	27/34 SW	29/38 SW	33/44 SW	24/34 S	32/45 S	31/44 SW	31/44 SW
300	7/34 SW	10/37 SW	14/39 SW	6/32 S	12/45 S	13/43 SW	13/44 SW
Glen	14/29 SW	14/28 SW	15/29 S	14/32 S	19/40 S	19/39 SW	18/39 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-4/-14	-3/-13	-3/-13	-2/-12	1/-9	0/-9	0/-9
900	-3/-13	-2/-12	-2/-12	-2/-10	1/-7	1/-8	1/-8
600	-0/-8	0/-7	1/-7	1/-6	4/-3	3/-4	3/-4
300	2/-1	3/-1	4/-1	3/0	6/2	5/1	5/1
Glen	4/0	5/1	6/2	5/0	8/4	7/3	7/3
Freezing Level*	500m	600m	600m	600m	1300m	1100m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Gusts to 70 mph or possible on the highest tops

Forecast for Thursday 11 Mar 2021
Weather: Some clear or sunny intervals and frequent, occasionally heavy showers of snow or hail. Low risk of an isolated thunderstorm. Cold and very windy at height.

Maximum wind: Gusts 50 to 60 mph on summits, and 70 mph on the highest tops. Severe wind chill expected.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Visibility: Becoming poor in cloud down to 650 metres as snow showers pass by, some frequent periods of lower cloud possible. Otherwise generally very good with good air clarity.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 rising to 7 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 2 falling to minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 1100 metres lowering to 500 metres

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